

Bernard M. Boutin



Bernard M. Boutin passed away Tuesday, January 21, 2020 in Columbia South Carolina. He was born on November 25, 1940 in Burlington Vermont, son of Ludger and Edith Cameron Boutin. Bernie graduated from Cathedral High school in Burlington in 1958 and immediately joined the Navy after graduation. He was stationed on the Anti-submarine Aircraft Carrier the U.S.S. Bennington and served for six years.

Bernie founded his own company, Bernie's Plumbing and Heating. He worked closely with his brother Jimmy to provide reputable and reliable service in Burlington and the surrounding area. Bernie loved life and lived by a work hard-play hard mindset. Boating and playing racquetball were his passions in his earlier days. In his later years, his passion shifted to biking where he enjoyed riding his Harley on trips throughout the United States with family and friends.

Bernie is survived by close family and friends. His siblings: Doris Jodoin (Ray), James Boutin (Jeanne), Eugene Boutin (Catherine), Darlene Thomas (George) and Diane Gates (Roy). Stepchildren: Bob Rushford, Rick Rushford, Steve Eddy, Joe Eddy (Bernadette). Bernie is predeceased in death by his brothers Paul Boutin and Richard Boutin and stepdaughter Paula Eddy and wonderful friends Roger and Monique Sabourin.

South Carolina was home to Bernie for the past several years and he lived with good friends Kathy and Jaime Ploof and their son Jonathan (Peanut). He also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins and his very good friend Rose Boutin as well as Dana Carlson, Jay Clark, Steve Maroni, Mike Merchant, Ray Paquette and Steve Shanks.

Bernie's family regrets if there is an omission of a dear friend as there were many. There will be a Memorial Service in July 2020. Details will be available at a later date.